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TWENTY-SECOND YEAR.

STATE ELECTIONS.

Nearly Every State Reports an Unusually Heavy Vote.

Both Sides Still Claim Victory in New York.

HEAVY WOMAN VOTE.

In Colorado They Take a Most Active Part.

Pullman Precinct in Chicago Conceded to the Populists.

WATCHING THE POLLS.

Mrs. Grannis Checks Off Voters in New York City.

Michigan and Minnesota Both Probably Republican.

Weather Conditions Favor the Populists in Nebraska.

Republicans Claim Iowa State and Congressional Ticket.

NEW YORK, Nov. 6.—Conditions in eastern New York are favorable for the polling of a large vote, the storm which raged all yesterday and last night having passed over. The weather is cold and the sky clear with a sharp wind blowing. Reports received up to noon show that in central New York the weather is fair though cold, while in the western part of the state there is some snow which may retard the vote. At Troy voting is progressing rapidly and without special excitement even where at the municipal election last spring there was riot and bloodshed.

In this city the interest in the state and municipal contests overclouds that for congressional. The divisions in the Democratic party in New York City and Brooklyn may possibly result to advantage of Republicans in some cases. Two years ago a schism Democratic delegation was sent to congress from New York, but subsequently through the resignation of Col. Fallowe, a Democrat, L. E. Quigg obtained an election.

This year the regular or Tammany delegates are opposed by state Democratic as well as by Republican nominees in seven or nine city districts. Similar conditions exist in three of the five Brooklyn districts. The strength of the state Democratic candidates is considerable. It will be well to remember, however, that in none of the nine city districts was the Democratic plurality two years ago as small as 6,000, while in one instance it was 11,820.

At the same time there may be a straw in the fact that Quigg, Republican, was elected January 30 of this year by a plurality in a district which in November, 1892, gave Fallowe, Democrat, 8,825 plurality. In the districts above the Harlem river the parties are divided about as usual.

A factor which may retard voting is the difficulty experienced with the separate ballots on the constitutional amendment and the two questions of consolidation and municipal rapid transit. The multitudinous number of ballots was puzzling even to the initiated and as one novice expressed it, it would take a Philadelphia lawyer to determine which was which. Each elector was asked to vote on six separate questions outside the regular state and municipal tickets, with the result that a large number of voters threw all or part of them away and voted only for the candidates presented.

This was particularly true of the downtown districts where the voters, puzzled by the number of ballots presented, usually solved the difficulty to their own satisfaction by throwing them all away. As far as could be ascertained most of the voters who tackled these questions cast their ballots for rapid transit and in favor of a greater New York, and there seems but little doubt that the question will be settled affirmatively in this city.

The weather today is generally clear and cool at all points west of New York. It is clear and cool in New York City also, although somewhat east of there.

Particular care was taken to insure the vote of the illiterate, who according to a recent decision are not among those entitled to have aid in the booths. The ballot clerks arrange the tickets so that the men of their own party could without trouble accomplish this result. The first six ballots on top were those favored by Tammany. Before the votes are entered he was instructed to vote the first six votes and this generally settled the difficulty. How many mistakes were made will be determined only after the count.

Busiest among the official watchers at the polling booth in the Twenty-second district of the Second Assembly district at No. 68 Oliver street was Mrs. Elizabeth B. Grannis. Mrs. Grannis wore the silver cross of the King's Daughters attached to an orange and white ribbon bow, with a carefully indexed book in hand, checked off the free and independent voters as they dropped their ballots in the box.

Mrs. Grannis occupied a position directly in front of the window facing Oliver street, and appeared to be a cause of wonderment to the juvenile population of that thickly settled district. For the first time, beheld a woman watcher at the polls.

"I have been," said Mrs. Grannis, "treated with the greatest courtesy. I have had no trouble whatever. I am sorry, however, to say that some of the officers here this morning have been under the influence of drink and some of the voters too. I don't think any man should be allowed to cast a ballot who is not sober. The voters are coming up

pretty steadily. I think we are doing very well."

It was 9:40 o'clock when Dr. Charles Parkhurst entered the polling place at Fifty-fifth and Third avenue to cast his ballot. A dozen suffragists were already in line awaiting their turn to vote but the doctor patiently took his place.

Parkhurst denounces Tammany.

New York, Nov. 6.—Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst Sunday departed from his late custom of refraining from political discussion in his Sunday sermons, and launched into a denunciatory harangue against Tammany Hall. Madison Square Presbyterian church was filled. The doctor said that unless the condition of affairs in New York was speedily changed, he would speedily wreck his vengeance on this city, as he did on Sodom and Gomorrah.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Nov. 6.—The campaign managers at the different political headquarters in Brooklyn express confidence in the result.

On the Democratic headquarters Hill's election, they claim is assured. They count a plurality of 7,000 to 10,000 in Kings county and say that Wheeler will not receive more than 3,000 to 5,000 votes. The Democrats claim they will elect their county ticket without any trouble. At the Republican headquarters the claim is that the Republican ticket is bound to win. They claim Kings county by 10,000 and say the county Republican ticket will be elected.

The total registration in the city is 121,833, of which it is estimated that 173,000 will vote.

ILLINOIS AND CHICAGO.

The Fight in Chicago is Bitter and a Large Vote is Being Polled.

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 6.—With the weather bright and cold the vote in Chicago and Cook county today is a heavy one, unusual interest being displayed in the election. The campaign throughout the state, and particularly here in Cook county, was hot from start to finish, the climax being reached when Mayor Hopkins, leader of the Democratic forces, was accused of blackmail, and in retaliation caused the arrest of the Republican state chairman, John R. Tanner, for criminal libel.

The Democratic party paid especial attention to a banquet alleged to have been given by George M. Pullman to the Republican county candidates. Gorgeously lithographed cartoons and placards of generous size, showing close communion between the Democratic, Pullman pie and Republican partisans, were shown broadcast over the city.

The Republicans with equal liberality covered walls and sidewalks with twelve foot square posters which in type sixteen inches tall denounced the story officially as "Democrat's lie." The Populists scored both the old parties on the so-called Pullman issue. Interest in the congressional contests of the county and city centered largely in the picturesque struggle in the Fourth district where the aspirants were an unique trio, ex-Congressman Frank Lawler as an independent candidate, Timothy Ryan, Democrat, and ex-Justice of the Peace Charles Woodman, Republican. Ryan, the regular Democratic nominee was during the campaign charged by his opponent with lavish use of double negatives with spelling, his name as "Thammany," and with other grammatical and orthographic indiscretions forcibly recalling ex-Congressman Lawler's efforts at national legislation in the direction of spelling reform.

Another interesting feature was developed by the fact that after a hard fought legal battle women were given the privilege of voting for state university trustees, and as each ticket had a woman candidate a very large vote was cast by the fair sex.

Fifteen minutes before the polling booth in the 48th precinct of the 23rd ward had been opened blood was shed, and the Republican challenger, Michael Kennedy, was found unconscious on the sidewalk having, it is claimed, been attacked by a gang of hoodlums. No arrests were made.

One precinct in the city was conceded to the People's party at 9 a. m. It is the thirteenth, in the Thirty-fourth ward, comprising the main part of the town of Pullman. At that hour an even 100 votes had been cast, and Republicans and Democrats admitted that the third party would carry the precinct. Everywhere in the district comprising Pullman, West Pullman, Gano, Kensington and Roseland, the Populist strength was great.

The Pullman shops were closed for the day and the workmen were not hurried in casting their ballots.

To Prevent Frauds in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Nov. 6.—President Gage has appointed a joint committee from the Civic Federation and the non-partisan citizens movement to investigate the charge of all matters involving one of the \$200,000 reward offered by the Civic Federation for the detection and punishment of illegal voting at the polls today. This committee organized and posters announcing the reward offered by the Civic Federation were distributed throughout the city yesterday.

PEORIA, Nov. 6.—Weather clear and cool. Up to 10 o'clock the vote is light. Few women have as yet appeared at the polls.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Nov. 6.—Great interest is being manifested here in the election. The indications are that the vote will be as large as in a national election. The women registered in proportion of one to ten to the men and it seems all well with vote.

OHIO HAS SNOW.

A Heavy Storm Set In at Cleveland, and Retards Voting Somewhat.

CLEVELAND, Nov. 6.—A heavy snow storm began operations here soon after the polls opened today. The disagreeable weather had a tendency to retard voting during the early morning hours. Interest is centered in the congressional contest in the Twenty-fifth district, between Tom L. Johnson (Dem.) and Theodore E. Burton (Rep.).

The campaign has been most bitterly fought by both sides. Charges and counter-charges of wholesale colonization of floaters and all sorts of illegal acts have been freely made. A number of men have been arrested for illegal registration and warrants are out for many other alleged violators of the registration law.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 6.—Clear skies and a cool northwest wind between fine weather

for today's election. The campaign here has been a noisy street parade and no great demonstrations. The Populists have shown more activity than either of the dominant parties. But the eagerness with which voters flocked to the polls today shows no lack of interest on their part. In many precincts half the vote was deposited by 9 o'clock.

TOLEDO, O., Nov. 6.—Today is cold and fair with sunshine most of the time. The vote will be heavy in the city and is getting in early. So far as can be ascertained from all points in the Ninth district, Southard, the Republican candidate for congress will be elected over Ritchie, the Democratic incumbent.

INTEREST EQUAL TO PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 6.—City registration over 25,000. Interest equal to presidential election. Very large early vote. Sheriff Ross, of Fourth ward, swore in some deputies on account of alleged trouble.

State committees of both sides were seen. The Republican chairman has news of a large vote at principal points. No disturbance anywhere so far as known. The Democratic chairman says he has no advice at this hour.

Mr. Outwater for congress, opposed by Du Bois, has worked as he never did before for re-election. This and national and local affairs gives the election in this district almost unprecedented interest. The Republicans were never more encouraged. The Democrats are rallying to their utmost, but all is pleasant between the respective sides.

Special from central Ohio reports voting heavy. This is especially true of Republican precincts. The indications seem to point to a larger Populist vote than was supposed would be cast but not so large as claimed by Populists.

DAYTON, O., Nov. 6.—A heavy vote is being polled. The Democrats claim the increased vote means an increased victory for nearly their whole ticket. The People's Party bids fair to cut a big figure in the result.

IN INDIANA.

Much Scratching is Being Done at Fort Wayne.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Nov. 6.—This city county and congressional district are strongholds of Democracy but the Republicans have carried on an aggressive campaign, charging maladministration on the part of the Democratic county officers. As a result many Democrats are scratching their tickets. The Democrats will probably elect their four members of the legislature in the county. In the district the contest for congressman will be close. The weather is fine and the largest vote for years is being polled.

ELICHT BETWEEN BYNUM AND HENRY.

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 6.—Election day is characterized by legendary Republican weather. The sun is shining brightly and the air is crisp and invigorating. The first hour's vote was very heavy. There will be considerable scratching on the county ticket, especially by the Democrats. The congressional fight between Bynum and Henry has been the hottest ever known in the district and the large majority of Bynum will be likely to be wiped out considerably if not wiped out.

MINNESOTA'S VOTE IN EARLY.

Largest Vote Ever Cast in Off Year is Expected.

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 6.—Minnesota will probably cast her largest vote ever cast in an off year. The day is crisp and cold and the vote is being brought out in good shape. The polls opened at 7 o'clock and by noon it was estimated in this city that nearly half of the registered vote was in. The leaders do not alter their ante-election claims in any way.

BOYCOTT, MINN., Nov. 6.—The weather today is fine, and every indication points to a heavy vote. Democrats and Republicans are equally confident of electing their congressional candidates. Towne (Rep.) will have a big plurality in this county. About 40 per cent of the Democrats are voting for Owen (Pop.) for governor.

ST. PAUL, MINN., Nov. 6.—Crisp, cloudy but not stormy weather in this city, and so far as heard from in other parts of the state is bringing out a very heavy vote. In this city two-thirds of the vote was polled by noon. A full state, legislative and congressional vote is being polled here a county ticket is being voted for.

IN OLD MISSOURI.

A Good Day and a Heavy Vote are the Prospects at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 6.—Election day opened here cool and crisp, with every indication of a perfect day and a heavy vote. The polls were besieged early by large lines of voters anxious to cast their ballots and get to business. As a result, while the early morning vote was exceedingly heavy it fell off toward 10 o'clock, as a calm preceding the usual noon rush.

From every point in the city the report is made that voting is progressing in a most orderly manner, no sign of trouble appearing at any point. There is no method of judging of the character of the vote as in this city no counting is permitted until the polls close. However a noticeable feature so far has been the larger proportion than usual of the better element of voters casting early.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 6.—Reports from the Twelfth congressional (city) district indicate that Congressman Seth Cobb, known as the only administration man in the Missouri delegation, is being heavily scratched, but whether in favor of Nelson (Single Tax) or Sterrett (Rep.) is not definitely known.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., Nov. 6.—Weather fair and heavy vote being polled. A. P. A. taking active part in election in this city.

MILAN, MO., Nov. 6.—A voting precinct near this city opened this morning with a free-for-all fight, and D. L. Harris was trained with an axe in the hands of a man named Mathes. No cause assigned.

TRADING GRANT FOR HILL.

Tammany Hopes to Change 30,000 Votes in That Way.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6.—No secret is now made the purpose of Tammany to trade off Grant for Hill. The information received here is of the most positive and definite character. Grant, the Tammany candidate for mayor, is to be sacrificed and Hill saved if possible. Democrats here who have the confidence of Tammany men received tips innumerable today to bet on Hill, but not to risk a dollar on Grant. Tammany will offer and deliver just as many votes for Strong as it can get Republican votes for Hill.

The hope of the managers is to trade at least 20,000 votes in this way. The only weak point in this magnificent game of practical politics is the other side of the bargain. Tammany is willing enough to deliver and has the goods, but is finding great difficulty in getting Hill votes from the Republicans. The trading fever is all on one side, and from the best information received at headquarters here it does not appear that the game can win.

TRouble AT KANSAS CITY.

The Arbitrary Action of Heelers May Cause Riots Before the Day is Over.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 6.—It looks as if there would be trouble here before the day is over. In certain districts of the city political heelers have given every indication of a further arbitrary action. In the Forty-eighth precinct members of a faction took possession of the polling place and threw out the witnesses and challengers appointed according to law who were in opposition to them. One of the gang conspired in the outrage smashed the ballot box with a heavy billet of wood.

In the Twenty-fifth district one of the witnesses was ordered out of the booth by the judges, and to save trouble he made no protest. In other precincts more or less friction of the same kind is reported, and much temper is being displayed.

From several wards comes complaint by citizens that they are not being allowed to vote.

Warrants have been sworn out for Joe Shannon and several other ward heelers, and also for several election judges in the Ninth ward. As the A. P. A. having control of the Republican organization may prove either a strong or weak ally.

The registration equals that of the last presidential election.

WOMAN WATCHER AT THE POLLS.

She Will Try to Prevent Fraud in the Toughest New York District.

NEW YORK, Nov. 6.—Mrs. Elizabeth Grannis is acting as a watcher at the polls in the Second Assembly district, from 6 o'clock this morning until the votes are counted. The presence of such a well known woman as Mrs. Grannis as watcher will attract much attention. In a letter to Oliver Sumner Teall yesterday, instead of paying for a substitute watcher's fee, she offers to do the work herself, giving as a reason the fact that she wishes it to serve as "an example of the power of endurance of women earnestly desiring to serve the cause of good government."

The second district is considered the toughest in New York, but Mr. Teall assures Mrs. Grannis that she will be accorded respectful consideration.

THE VOTE IN NEBRASKA.

The Weather is Raw at Omaha, But Large Numbers are Voting.

OMAHA, Nov. 6.—The weather here is raw, but the sun is shining and the prospects for the getting out of a heavy vote are good. Up to 10 o'clock only a light vote had been polled in this city, but at that hour the booths began to fill up to their fullest capacity and the predictions were that there would be no let up until the polls closed at 6 o'clock.

On a particular excitement on the streets and no trouble has occurred. There has been some fraudulent registration, but the vigilance of the election officials will probably keep out most of the fraudulent votes.

At 1 o'clock reports from all parts of the state indicate the heaviest vote in the state's history. The weather throughout the state is very favorable for a heavy country vote, and the Populists are encouraged over the prospects. Severe weather would have meant success of the Republican ticket, but the situation is now quite favorable to the fusion candidate.

On account of the rumors of fraudulent voting it is quite probable that a contest will occur on the state ticket unless the plurality is overwhelming.

IN WEST VIRGINIA.

The Day Cool and Cloudy and the Early Voting is Light.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Nov. 6.—Cold and cloudy; vote so far light with no excitement. Everything passing off quietly. Up to 9 o'clock the majority of votes polled here were Democratic.

WHEELING, W. Va., Nov. 6.—Weather clear and cool. A heavy vote is being polled. The feeling is intense. The Republicans are confident and the Democrats hopeful. Considerable scratching is being done by Democrats for congressman and legislature. The interest has seldom been greater in a presidential year.

IN COLORADO.

Fully a Third of the Voters at the Polls Are Women.

DENVER, Nov. 6.—Long before the polls opened at 7 o'clock there were hundreds of voters at nearly every polling place in Denver. Fully a third were women and as voting necessarily proceeded slowly under the Australian system many of them had to wait in line for hours. The weather is perfect and the vote will be very heavy. The total registration for the state is about 170,000, and it is expected 150,000 votes will be cast. Both the Republicans and the Populists are very confident.

A \$12,500 Even Bet.

Most of the betting on the election in Denver has been at odds of two to one or better in favor of the Republicans. A. F. Haffy and Charles E. Wood it is said have wagered \$12,500 each even, the former taking McIntire and the latter Waite.

COLORADO PROSPECTS.

Populists Have a Little the Better of the Republicans.

DENVER, Nov. 6.—The campaign closed in Colorado last night, when the

heavy artillery of all parties was fired in every town in the state where it was possible to secure the services of a speaker.

There has been little change in sentiment from a week ago, except as regards Waite. His Chicago reception has strengthened him in Arapahoe county, which the Republicans claim.

The Republicans have made every effort toward electing McIntire, the head of their ticket. There is little or no change in the state ticket, both parties claiming the state, the Republicans claiming Arapahoe county by 30,000 and the Populists claiming it by 5,000 and the state by 2,000.

In the First Congressional district Pence, Populist, has a slight advantage over Shafroth, Republican. Pence is handicapped by the candidacy of Bottom, Democrat, who is drawing from him. In the Second district it does not seem possible for Bowen, Republican, to defeat Bell, Populist.

It is generally conceded that the Populists will elect the next senator. The Populists have made their campaign on the silver issue, which always catches the crowd in Colorado. The Republicans have made their fight on the tariff and the redemption of the state from the rule of Populism.

IN WISCONSIN.

Many Democrats are Voting the Republican Ticket It is Assured.

MILWAUKEE, Nov. 6.—The largest vote ever polled in an off year is being cast. The temperature is cool and the day bright and the Republicans claim that the weather is favorable. The polls opened at 9 a. m. in the country and 6 in the city. The vote in the rural districts will be very large.

At Marshfield, the home of Upham, Republican candidate for governor, the Republican ticket is being voted by many Democrats. The Republicans already claim the election of their state ticket, the lower house of the legislature and eight of the ten congressmen. Democrats claim the election of Peck for governor and four congressmen.

LA CROSSE, Wis., Nov. 6.—The weather is fine and all parties active. The outlook for an increased vote is good, but the largest gains and greatest activity are apparent on the side of Republicans.

PENNSYLVANIA'S VOTE.

The Election is a Test of Populist Strength in Allegheny County.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 6.—The weather is clear and a large vote is being polled throughout Allegheny county. Republican Chairman Gripp has 15,000 challenges marked in the poll books on the ground of non-payment of taxes. The interest centers in the congressional fight in the Twenty-fourth district between W. A. Sipe, (Dem.), the present incumbent, and E. E. Acheson (Rep.). The district is very close.

This election will also be a test of the Populist strength in this county. Up to this hour they are making no definite claims.

ERIE, Pa., Nov. 6.—A heavy vote for this hour is being polled here. The main fight is on congressman, between Grosswald (Rep.) and Sibley (Dem. and Pop.). Both sides claim the district.

IN CALIFORNIA.

Strong Opposition to Old Political Parties in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 6.—The day is clear and warm throughout California. As one of the results of an unusually vigorous campaign a heavy vote is being polled. In San Francisco the vigorous opposition of the non-partisan ticket as against the old political parties is drawing out almost a full vote. So far there have been no disturbances.

Republicans Claim California by 30,000.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 6.—The chairman of the Republican state committee claims that Estee's plurality for governor will exceed 20,000; the chairman of the state Democratic committee claims 12,000 for Budd.

IN WYOMING.

An Unusually Large Vote Will Be Polled From Present Indications.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Nov. 6.—Election day dawned bright and fair, and the activity began much before the opening of the polls. From every point in the state thus far heard from dispatches state that an unusually large vote was cast in the morning and the expectation is that the vote of two years ago will be increased.

In Cheyenne the vote will possibly be smaller than two years ago, but very little, and it is now coming out very rapidly.

IN TENNESSEE.

A Light Vote is Being Polled in Memphis and Surrounding Country.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Nov. 6.—The weather is fine and cool over western Tennessee. A very light vote is being polled in this city and throughout the surrounding country.

IOWA'S VOTE HEAVY.

Republicans Claim the State Ticket by 30,000 Plurality.

DES MOINES, Nov. 6.—The day opened with a raw north wind, but clear skies. The indications are the Republican state ticket will be elected by over 30,000, and all the congressional ticket except possibly in the Second district.

IN LOUISIANA.

It is Believed That a Heavy Vote Will Be Polled.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 6.—The weather is delightfully clear and cool throughout the state and the election is progressing quietly as far as heard from. A heavy vote will, it is believed, be polled.

THE SOUTH DAKOTA FIGHT.

The Fusion Contest Makes a Full Vote at Sioux Falls.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Nov. 6.—The full vote of this county will be polled on account of the very strong fusion fight against the Republican legislature and county ticket. About half the votes in the city were already in at noon.

IN KENTUCKY.

The Polls Close at Louisville at Four O'clock.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 6.—The weather here and at all points in the state heard from is fair and cool. The polls closed at 4 o'clock.

LOCAL ELECTIONS.

Republicans Will Carry Topeka and Shawnee County

With the Customary Majority, Apparently.

HARD TO FIGURE UP.

The Australian Secret Ballot Makes It Impossible

To Closely Estimate the Pluralities This Early.

SECOND WARD SAFE.

Is the Way Republican Leaders Look at It.

Populists Not Making Strong Claims There.

Election day in Topeka dawned clear and pleasant and there was a large crowd at almost every one of the seventeen voting precincts in the city when the polls were opened at 8 o'clock.

An effort is being made, and with good success, to get the vote polled early. As early as 8:30 a. m. there were over 100 in line at several of the most populous precincts.

The arrest of Albert Barton in the Second precinct of the Fifth ward was the only disturbance reported up to noon.

Commissioner of Elections Frank Herald, who made a visit to every voting precinct in the city during the forenoon, said everything was quiet and he did not look for any disturbances.

He said: "We (Populists) will carry the Second ward sure, and we will also carry the second precinct in the Fourth ward, although of course we do not expect to carry the Fourth ward."

The Republican workers in the Second and Fourth wards say there is no ground for Commissioner Herald's prophecy, and the Republican leaders claim they will carry every precinct in the city.

A Journal reporter who visited each precinct in the Second ward early in the day, found the indications at that time pointing towards Republican success.

The Third ward, it is conceded, will give its usual large Republican majority, and the First, Fourth and Fifth wards will not be far behind.

The city registration corrected and revised is 8,674 and the vote will probably be over 7,000. Some Republican workers claim they will carry every precinct in the city and have a plurality of from 3,500 to 4,000. Populist managers say that the Republican ticket will get 1,000 or 2,000 plurality in the city.

The Democrats do not anticipate a large vote for their ticket and some of the candidates themselves do not expect more than 300 votes.

There is but little betting anywhere in the city today but J. M. Padgett put up \$225 on John Davis in the Fifth district and several others have made small bets on the result in this Seventh district.

First Ward.

In the First ward the vote is being polled rapidly. In the First precinct at 1 o'clock out of a registration of 644 there had been 310 votes polled.

In the Second precinct 493 votes had been polled out of a registration of 499, and in the Third precinct 307 votes had been polled out of 522 registered.

A big Republican majority is expected in this ward. Workers at the polls say a majority will be given for the suffrage amendment and against the proposition to sell the old city house.

Second Ward.

Things were unusually quiet in the Second ward up to noon, and there were strong indications that the ward would go Republican this time as it did last. The Populists, the more conservative ones, were willing to admit that 800 of them. "We are not in it much up to this hour, but we are holding off a good deal of our force till afternoon."

At the Monroe street polling place there was hardly anybody that could be classed as a totterer excepting perhaps the policemen, who were waiting for the precinct vote, was especially assigned. There had been about 135 votes cast, and it was judged that a majority of them were Republican.

At Jefferson street about 150 of the 433 votes were in and the majority was expected to be largely in favor of Morell and the Republican state and county ticket. There were very few people about the polling place and no excitement whatever.

At the East Fourth street polling place there was a fair sized crowd and they were talking politics in quiet way. The Republicans were feeling good and the Populists were hopeful. About 180 votes had been cast and the judges were very particular to see that everything was straight. James H. Clark's ballot was refused because his middle initial on the registration book was wrong. A leading Populist admitted there that the vote would be largely Republican.

There was a good sized congregation about the polling place near Sixth and Lake, but there was no excitement except once, when some one challenged a man's vote and even then there was no ill feeling. Of the 343 votes registered over two hundred of them had been in and cast their ballots. There was a difference in opinion as to the result in that precinct, a Populist saying that it was about even while the Republicans declared that they were